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REVIEW OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL FUNCTIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 22 September 1995, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 45th meeting, on 22 December 1995. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/50/SR.45).

3. At the 32nd meeting of the Committee, on 28 November, the Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit presented the annual report 1/ of the Unit.

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fiftieth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/50/34).

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II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

A. Draft decision A/C.5/50/L.19

4. At its 45th meeting, on 22 December, the Committee had before it draft decision A/C.5/50/L.19 entitled "Action taken on certain items", which had been submitted by the Chairman.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/50/L.19 without a vote (see para. 8, draft decision I).

B. Draft decision A/C.5/50/L.18

6. At the 45th meeting, on 22 December, the Committee had before it draft decision A/C.5/50/L.18 entitled "Biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1996-1997", which had been submitted by the Chairman.

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/50/L.18 without a vote (see para. 8, draft decision II).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

DRAFT DECISION I

Action taken on certain items

The General Assembly decides that the Fifth Committee should continue its consideration of the following agenda items and relevant reports at its resumed fiftieth session:

(a) Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114];

(b) Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 [115];

(c) Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116];

(d) Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [117];

(e) Joint Inspection Unit [118];

(f) Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [120];

(g) United Nations common system [121];

(h) Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping forces in the Middle East:

(i) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;

(ii) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon [122];

(i) Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission [123];

(j) Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991):

United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission [124];

(k) Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara [125];

(l) Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador [126];

(m) Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia [127];

(n) Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters [128];

(o) Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II [129];

(p) Financing of the liquidation of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique [130];

(q) Financing of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus [131];

(r) Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia [132];

(s) Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti [133];

(t) Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia [134];

(u) Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda [135];

(v) Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [136];

(w) Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan [137];

(x) Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [138];

(y) Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [149];

(z) Human resources management [159];

(aa) Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [160].

DRAFT DECISION II

Biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1996-1997

The General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 6 of its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, approves the biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1996-1997, annexed hereto.

Annex

Biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1996-1997

A. Programme of work for 1996

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

4. Programme planning

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

6. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997

7. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

8. Pattern of conferences

9. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

10. Human resources management

11. United Nations common system

12. United Nations pension system

13. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations

14. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations

15. Report of the Economic and Social Council

16. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

B. Programme of work for 1997

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

6. Joint Inspection Unit

7. Pattern of conferences

8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

9. United Nations common system

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